

ABC Missiles of October Dec 74

JFK: "K's been promising for months
he wouldn't put offensive missiles
in Cuba ... if I can't trust him on
this ...

JFK to O'Donnell

- Do you still think Cuba is important as a
campaign issue? " O'D: Absolutely - Keady
just puts the to sleep when they talk about Sov.
missiles. " "So you think

JFK

We've just elected Capobianco in Michigan
and Ken Keady will probably be our next
Pres. "

Ex Com

Rom while Sovs were continuously assuring
us they would never ...

Belli after election

as McN.

Taylor: In fact, the waiting time has been reduced from 15 min to 30 seconds. accuracy is down to near perfect...
"surgical strikes"

K: JFK told me in Vienna

a feeling that the broadest elements in the government, in the bureaucracy

(Franklin Insurance Co.)

Once the truth about Cuba comes out,
— Repubs are going to murder us...

...Voters say that Repubs in our Admin aren't high enough.

K to Khrushchev: He may be withholding the
bad news till after the election.

ExpCom

(Taylor: Air strike

McCone

"

→ ~~Brake~~ Anderson?

JFK: I'll pay any price to get the missiles
out of Cuba.

Stevenson:

JFK "We're not going to negotiate under the gun...
de D would say we were selling out..."

★ the Russians would blackmail us elsewhere.

JFK to RFK: I'd welcome the support of
McCloy and his friends - ask him to join
Stevenson's delegation to the UN.

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Scenery to JFK (in front of proving Taylor, Lemay): can guarantee only 90% of missiles - would have to follow through with an invasion.

Russell + Tulljett favor air strike and invasion.

K watches speech: "JFK has you mad."

Briefing: 42 minutes ready to launch (?)

JFK: What if one of our U-2's is hit?

Taylor: Knock out all the SAMs.

RFK: That's a massive air strike.

JFK: We'll knock out the offending site.

(Presents JFK as "admiral" Stevenson -
RFK criticizes S. as another to constructing
Rudels...)

K: She would have acted very differently.

JFK = Any order to fire or to board must originate right here. (Pres).

RFK - "If you hadn't acted, you would have been impeached."

JFK - That's what I think."

VFR to Taylor:

The aerial photos I had taken yesterday
stand out — the

256 ICBMs + Polaris

K: We must make it possible for him
to negot. without appearing to negot.

Fomin: We will remove missiles

— promise not to reintroduce

— open to UN inspection

Letter: no-invasion pledge

~~Letter~~

(8 low-level near long down

K letter: [I will withdraw missiles...]

you will promise not to invade us

Lessons

- Military pushing for "regional strike"
 - ~~mass~~, sneak attack
 - confrontation with
DU warships
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read: Allison
Kruskalow
Abel

notes

Fomin, 2d ^{Time} — inspection of bases in Florida
when invasion is big problem

[JFK to ExCom: "I want this letter
analyzed in the light of the Fomin
initiative... (over night....)]

0900 2d K letter analyzed

JFK — "impossible demand that we
move missiles from Turkey..."

"It's blackmail... dam effective blackmail."

Cuba II

(No mention

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"My orders to get those ICBMs out of Turkey were ignored..."

What was the last time I ordered those ICBMs out of Turkey? Not the first 5 times
last week in August

He who can be

Taylor: We have no option but to launch
a

Am I going to launch

Oct 11

All American ministers with nuclear
weapons

- Once because we cannot control our
own future.

To DeBrynn.

36 hours

(48?)

("minutes or Monday")

On Turkey:

After this is over, we can
negotiate about the Turkish ministers
not now

McG B — last night — Mr. Pres — We'll
be fighting in Cuba on Tuesday.
Pres.